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NORTH BENNINGTON

John H. Cushman of Irvington, N. Y., is spending a short time in town.

Miss Ethel Albee of Bennington spent Sunday with Miss Grace Dennis of Bank street extension.

Miss Bridget Cunningham who has been spending a couple of months at her home in East Dorset has returned.

Mr. and Mrs. William C. H. Cushman are rejoicing over the birth of a daughter, born May 21, 1910.

Misses Zadie and Elsie Grant who have been spending some time at their home in Rington have returned to their work here.

Several from town left this morning for East Dorset to attend the Christian Endeavor County convention to be held at the Congregational church there.

A fire started about ten o'clock Sunday night in the stock barn of P. B. Harrington in the east part of the town. The stock was all saved but the barn burned to the ground. A few faithful men fought the fire with pails of water and succeeded in saving the house and another barn which was close by.

Miss Ida May Shaw was pleasantly surprised last Thursday evening by about sixteen of her friends at the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. F. Babson of Main street. The surprise was in the form of a linen shower in honor of Miss Shaw's approaching marriage to Frederick S. Babson. Many beautiful pieces were received. Games were played and music enjoyed. Dainty refreshments were served and all reported a jolly good time.

A WOMAN'S TACT.

The Actress Spoiled a Scene, but Soothed the Angry Star.

There is a pretty story of Modjeska and a new leading woman who was to play the part of Elizabeth in Schiller's dreary play, "Mary Stuart."

The new leading woman, who was to assume the part of the red haired sovereign, was a beautiful young person whose acting experience had been limited to a few seasons in modern society plays. On the night of the first performance, in the most important scene of the drama, where the captive Mary confronts Elizabeth in Fothering-gay park, all was not well. The new leading woman, wearing a wig for the first time in her career and looking uncomfortable in the high Elizabethan ruff, was ill at ease in the beginning, and, losing one of the chief words and thereby the meter from her opening lines, she began to flounder and soon "dried up" completely.

This left Schiller's unhappy Mary standing in the center of the stage waiting to be adequately insulted. But Elizabeth's mind was a blank, madam could see that, and, jumping to her last speech, the curtain was brought down. Everybody on the stage was distressed. But instantly the beautiful young woman, disguised as the late Elizabeth, rushed to the star's side and said:

"Dear madam, I am so sorry, but you know you do look so lovable in this part it is impossible for me to say those terrible things to you!"

For a second there was a mixed expression on Modjeska's face, and then she forgivingly patted the speaker's cheek and walked away.—Metropolitan Magazine.

THE STAGE DRINK.

Some Sarcastic Comments Upon Its Terrific Potency.

What we have always noticed about the stage drink is its terrific potency. That there are other points of interest in this thing we do not deny, and we are inclined to agree with a writer in one of the weekly papers who says that "our actors, even the best and most experienced of them, haven't the faintest notion of how to drink naturally and with the air of men who are enjoying the process." And we have frequently noted that curious unspillable quality in the musical comedy drink. In this particular type of potation, which is set to music and which we may call the gay drink, the careless gestures of the dragon holders, who do not actually drink until they have waved the goblet upside down, have been known to make strong and thirsty galleryites burst into tears, commingled with reproaches. When falsely accused Frederick suffers a momentary attack of depression and decides to set out for territories exclusively canine he pours into a small liquor glass a little very pale brandy and, with a desperate cry of frenzy and despair, drinks it at one go. Sometimes it is half a glass of noncorporeal claret. But the result is the same. Falsely accused Frederick instantly starts his Apache dance with the grand pianoforte, and friends who believed in him, entering at that moment, say, "Good heavens, he's drunk!" The drink is potent. It cannot always be a case of weakness of head.—London Globe.

GET A TRUE FOCUS.

A habit of looking at things from a distorted angle, of focusing the vision on things that depress and suggest unhappiness and misery, is a destroyer of happiness and success. A man who goes about with a funeral face, thinking "hard times," fearing "dull seasons," disaster, panic and failure wherever his interests center, is never a happy man, rarely a successful one. Pessimism is a destructive force in men's lives, just as optimism is a constructive agency.—Selected.

BENNINGTON BRIEFS

News of the Town and Village Told Briefly for Busy Readers.

George R. Smith has returned from Boston.

Mrs. Ellen Fay is visiting relatives in Schenectady.

Phillip T. H. Pierson was in Albany on business Saturday.

The Tomlinson house on Morgan street is being painted.

Kenneth Ritchie of Pittsfield was at his home here Sunday.

H. S. Bingham is registered at the Hotel Woodstock this week.

George O'Connor of Pittsfield was the guest of friends here Sunday.

Miss Flora Dunors of North Adams was a guest of friends here Sunday.

Miss Pearl Greenslet visited in North Adams Saturday and Sunday.

Miss Eleanor Sibley of West Main street is reported ill of scarlet fever.

Mrs. J. O. Burt and Misses Katherine and Barbara Burt are in Troy today.

W. C. Houran who has been ill for some time has resumed his duties at his store.

Frank Murphy went to Comstock, N. Y., this morning where he has employment.

Misses Amy, Irene and Anna Putnam were in Albany and Troy a portion of the day.

Dr. Hillis lecture tickets may be had at the stores of E. E. Hart and A. K. Ritchie.

Benjamin Latour who has been at work in Pittsfield has resigned and returned here.

William Murray of Gage street has been called to Rutland by the illness of his sister, Mrs. Julia Keefe.

Miss Hattie Chalmers and Miss Christina Hewitt of Adams were the guests of friends in town Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Mattison of North Bennington are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Houran.

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At the 25th annual meeting of the Rebekah assembly in Burlington Friday, Mrs. Mabel Livingston was appointed one of the district deputies.

The regular meeting of the Young Woman's club will be omitted this week on account of the Hillis lecture at the Second Congregational church.

Mrs. Harriet Sears, a teacher at the high school, is compelled to take a vacation because of ill health. In her absence Miss Dorothy Norton will substitute.

All enrolled in the recently organized United Spanish War Veterans, desirous of becoming charter members are requested to meet at 8 o'clock this evening in K. of P. hall.

Robert D. Mason visited his wife at the Pittsford, Vt., Sanatorium recently. He found her able to sit up a little while each day and was told by the doctor that she was doing as well.

The members of the Pomona Court of Southern Vermont Grange from Stamford, Pownal and Bennington were entertained at a five hundred party Saturday evening at the home of Mrs. C. F. Lyons.

The Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary society of the Methodist church will meet at the home of Mrs. W. D. Newton Monday evening at 7:45 o'clock. A full attendance is desired, as there is important business to transact.

Regular meeting of Temple Chapter R. A. M. will be held this evening at 7:30 o'clock. The Royal Arch degree will be conferred in full form. Officers and members are requested to be prompt in attendance as there is business of importance to come before the meeting after the work of the degree.

A well contested game of baseball was played between the employees of the Holden and Leonard and the Vermont Hosery and Machine Company on the Athletic field Saturday afternoon. The game was won in the 10th inning by the former team. The batteries were for the Hosery boys, Paul Longile, Edward Gardner and for its opponents, Thomas Brassi and Joseph Coyne.

The Bennington chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution were delightfully entertained Friday afternoon by Miss Jennie Valentine. Two very pleasing selections were sung by Mrs. L. H. Ross. Miss Valentine who has just been to Washington as a delegate to the national meeting of the society gave a very bright and entertaining account of her impressions of the convention. Choice refreshments were served.

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In Paris aspirants for positions in the detective force are taught in a regular school, where day after day they are put through various exercises until they become proficient and receive appointments or show that they have not the detective instinct in them.

The students first are trained in the use of their eyes and their hands. One of the lessons consists in placing the pupil in a brilliantly lighted room full of furniture and ornaments. Then he is taken to another room and required to make a sketch of the room he just has left, indicating the position of all the objects in it. He is allowed to look at a face for a minute and then required to describe the color of the hair, the eyes, the general form, etc. He afterward is required to pick out a photograph of the face from among several hundred others.

In educating the hand the student is placed in a dark room in which are many curious and unusual objects. These he feels over and then writes a description of them. He must remember even the slightest details. One test is to let him handle gems in the dark and then tell what they are, whether diamonds, rubies or what not. This is, of course, an exercise for the more advanced pupils.

Queer Goldfish.

Beautiful and most interesting of all goldfish is a native of Japan, and it is noted for the beauty of its tail and the abnormal length of its fins. The tail resembles a delicate veil, and the fins are developed to such an extent that it is impossible for the fish to make rapid progress in the water. It is therefore solely on account of its beauty that it is prized and because in this respect it differs widely from other varieties of goldfish, such as the "telescope fish," the eyes of which bulge out of the head in most unsightly fashion; the "celestial eyed fish," which is also uncommonly because its eyes are bullet shaped and are ever turned skyward, and the "egg fish," which is so called because its body is somewhat amorphous, but resembles an egg more than anything else.

OBLIGATIONS OF \$800,000

Sister Candide of the Order of St. Anne Nuns, Arrested in Paris

Paris, May 21.—A woman known as Sister Candide who was formerly superior of the Order of St. Anne nuns and who for many years engaged in an elaborate scheme of charitable work including the operation of a sanatorium for tuberculosis children was arrested last night, and astonishing revelations have been made by the police concerning the woman's methods.

After raising considerable money by lotteries, Sister Candide the police say, began borrowing vast quantities of jewelry, ostensibly to sell on commission. The jewelers finally became suspicious and brought suit against her. Much of the jewelry has been found in the pawn shops of Paris and London and yesterday an associate of the woman, Doctor Petit, hanged himself. He left a note saying that he could not face the exposure and charging Sister Candide with the responsibility.

The woman's obligations are estimated at \$800,000.

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